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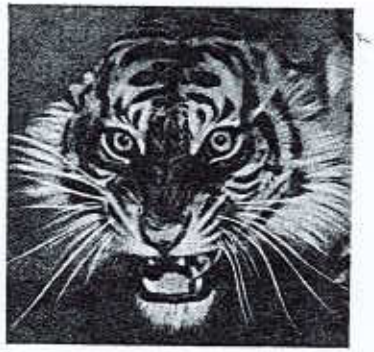

SEASON 1951

RICHMOND FOOTBALL CLUB

Founded 1884

Entered League 1908

Premiers V.F.A.	1902, 1905
Runners-Up	1901, 1903, 1904
Premiers V.F.L.	1920, 1921, 1932, 1934, 1943
Runners-Up	1919-24-27-28-29-31-33-40-42-44

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To be presented to Members at the Annual Meeting to be held in the Melbourne Town Hall on Wednesday, 27th February, 1952, at 8 p.m.

HARRY DYKE, President. MAURIE FLEMING, Secretary.

RICHMOND FOOTBALL CLUB
OFFICE-BEARERS, SEASON 1951

PRESIDENT:
H. J. Dyke, Esq.

VICE-PRESIDENTS:
M. J. Bolger, Esq.; R. H. Dunn, Esq.; J. H. Jones, Esq.; Hon. P. J. Kennelly, M.L.C.; F. E. O'Brien, Esq.; Senator J. M. Sheehan.

COMMITTEE:
Messrs. C. Callander, J. Dyer, L. J. Goring, P. C. Langdon, C. Priestley, J. Titus.

Players' Representatives on Committee:
D. Fraser, W. Morris, and W. Wilson.

Richmond Cricket Club Representative on Committee:
Mr. L. Sinclair.

Delegate to Richmond Cricket Club:
Mr. C. Callander.

Richmond Second Eighteen Representative on Committee:
Mr. J. Joyce.

Delegate to Richmond Second Eighteen:
Mr. P. C. Langdon.

Victorian Football League Representatives:
Messrs. H. J. Dyke, F. E. O'Brien (resigned 1/10/51), W. A. Quinn (elected 1/10/51).

Chairman of Committees: Mr. F. E. O'Brien.

Hon. Solicitor: Mr. R. H. Dunn.

Auditor: Bruce Doig, Esq., Chartered Accountant (Aust.)

Hon. Medical Officer: Dr. P. L. Grogan.

Hon. Masseur: Mr. Gordon Chivers.

Hon. Physiotherapist: Mr. John Stanley.

Timekeeper: Mr. W. Stanbrough. **Asst. Timekeeper:** Mr. L. Langdon.

Coach: Mr. J. Dyer.

Captain: Mr. W. Morris.

Vice-Captain: Mr. D. Fraser.

Training Room Staff:
Messrs. I. Booth (Head Trainer), J. Evans, F. Hegarty, R. Jordon, R. Julier, A. Keyhoe, and W. McDonald.

OFFICE-BEARERS (Continued)

Door Steward: Mr. J. Chandler.

Boot Studder: Mr. L. Taylor. **Asst. Boot Studder:** Mr. E. Collinson.

Property Steward: Mr. C. Callander.
Asst. Property Steward: Mr. H. Tomison.

Players' Property Steward: Mr. H. Jackson.

Hon. Transport Officer: Mr. A. Salvado.
Committee Room Stewards: Messrs. R. Hohmuth and C. Le Guier.

Selection Committee:
Messrs. P. J. Kennelly (Chairman), J. Dyer, D. Fraser, W. Morris, J. Titus. (Proxy Delegate, Mr. C. Priestley.)

Finance Committee:
Messrs. F. E. O'Brien (Chairman), M. J. Bolger, R. H. Dunn, J. M. Fleming, W. A. Quinn.

Executive Committee:
Messrs. F. E. O'Brien (Chairman), M. J. Bolger, R. H. Dunn, H. J. Dyke, J. M. Fleming, P. J. Kennelly, W. A. Quinn.

Social Committee:
Messrs. L. J. Goring (Chairman), M. J. Bolger, C. Callander, J. M. Fleming, J. H. Jones, P. C. Langdon, C. Priestley, W. A. Quinn.

Honorary Treasurer:
Mr. W. A. Quinn, 3 Coane Street, Ormond (UL 5175).

Honorary Assistant Secretary:
Mr. M. J. Bolger, 74 Railway Road, Carnegie (UL 3361).

Honorary Ticket Secretary:
Mr. P. C. Langdon, 49 Ormond Road, Moonee Ponds.

Honorary Social Secretary:
Mr. C. Priestley, 9 Alexandra Avenue, Canterbury.

Returning Officer: Mr. F. A. Wilkes

Secretary:
J. M. Fleming, 85 Hoddle Street, Richmond, E.1.
Phones: Ground—JB 2222, Residence—JA 2818.

NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICE-BEARERS, SEASON 1952

Vice-Presidents (two required):

M. J. BOLGER

J. M. SHEEHAN

Committee (two required):

C. CALLANDER

J. R. DYER

PLAYERS IN PREMIERSHIP MATCHES

	First Played	Matches 1951	Total Matches Played
Albiston, K.	1946	5	47
Allen, T.	1949	8	14
Austen, C.	1950	18	35
Boland, B.	1950	17	30
Clarke, F.	1951	2	2
Cooke, A.	1949	14	25
Currie, M.	1947	5	31
Dillon, K.	1949	6	30
Flintoff, L.	1950	3	7
Fraser, D.	1945	17	110
Gardiner, L.	1951	4	4
Gleeson, R.	1951	1	1
Horwood, R.	1950	12	25
Irvine, R.	1949	4	11
Morris, W.	1942	15	140
Nix, J.	1949	11	30
Oppy, M.	1942	17	130
O'Rourke, B.	1951	3	3
O'Rourke, J.	1949	15	23
Poulter, R.	1946	18	88
Roberts, K.	1947	15	57
Reiffel, R.	1951	1	1
Ritchie, J.	1951	3	3
Rowe, D.	1946	18	70
Rowe, H.	1948	12	37
Ryan, F.	1951	2	2
Schofield, P.	1951	6	6
Spring, G.	1948	17	71
Stokes, R.	1946	18	93
Turner, B.	1951	9	9
Wiggins, R.	1945	10	66
Wilson, W.	1944	18	134
Wright, R.	1946	18	75

Thirty-three players, including nine first-year players, participated in premiership matches during the 1951 season.

Annual Report of the Committee of Management, 1951

To the Members of the Richmond Football Club,
Ladies and Gentlemen,

In submitting for the approval of members the Annual Report and Balance Sheet for Season 1951, we are confident they will read with pleasure of the many activities of the Club both on and off the field, and also note that the Balance Sheet records we finished the year's work with a satisfactory credit balance.

In view of the greatly increased cost of team maintenance, this reflects credit on the men selected by the Committee to handle the financial activities of the Tigers. Elsewhere in the report, we will deal with this important matter, but feel it is necessary to draw attention of all football lovers to the greatly increased burden imposed on sporting bodies by the extraordinary rise in Sales Tax on sporting materials.

Senior Clubs with regular sources of income may be able to balance the budget, but the position of junior bodies is alarming.

We believe certain steps have been taken to assist with the cost of sporting equipment in schools. However, what is to happen when the lad leaves school? If he desires to take part in some form of sport, he will be faced with the purchase of his own uniform and regular payments to his club to enable the necessary equipment to be purchased.

If his talents do not take him into a Senior Club where his gear is provided free, he is faced with a one-third tax surcharge for the rest of his sporting career. Rather than meet the high cost of equipment needed, he will become a spectator and not a participant. This could mean a deterioration of the physical standard and health of our youth.

Against this, the only gain would be to the Commonwealth Treasurer from the unfair Sales Tax imposed.

It is strange to find a campaign for national fitness being sponsored, whilst the authorities, by unjust taxation on sporting goods, are driving our youth from participation in sport to the role of a spectator.

A Sales Tax of 33⅓% on sporting materials is most unjust. A junior footballer, as an example, faces up to 1952 with an initial outlay of more than £11 for gear. Footballs seem likely to cost about £4 each. Add these costs to the amount required from him weekly for umpires and the other necessities to keep his club functioning, and it will be realised that playing junior football is too expensive and the lad will soon become a spectator and not a player.

We urge all sporting bodies to contact their local Members of Parliament and stress the importance of the ill-effect of this obnoxious tax on the future well-being of the youth of today.

The season of 1951 was one of mixed fortunes for the Tigers. After losing the first game to Footscray by one point, we went on to win the next six games and the hope we would take a part in the finals. Then the side suffered a mid-season slump through players losing form and others, notably Bill Morris, Bob Wiggins, Max Currie and Ray Horwood, being injured or ill. Six games were lost in this period, including North Melbourne by three points and Essendon by four points. The side then recovered to win four of the last five matches, but too late to make the final four.

BILL MORRIS
Life Member, 1951; 10-Year Player; Captain, Seasons 1950-51

V.F.L. DELEGATES

After serving the interests of the Tigers for many years at the V.F.L. table, Mr. Frank O'Brien was forced through private reasons to vacate the position of delegate to that body. His work there won him a Life Membership, and he proved an excellent team-mate for Harry Dyke, his co-delegate. Their combined work has won Richmond a place of high esteem in the governing body of football in this State. His position of delegate has since been filled by Mr. Bill Quinn whose knowledge of finance will make him a worthy replacement for Frank.

On occasions during the season, Messrs. Charlie Priestley and Martin Bolger acted as proxy delegates. To them, and to Mr. Harry Dyke, Mr. Frank O'Brien, and Mr. Bill Quinn, we express our appreciation for the care and attention given the Club by able representation at the V.F.L.

FINANCE AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES

Once more, the Committee entrusted the important task of handling the financial affairs of the Club to Messrs. Frank O'Brien (Chairman), Martin Bolger, Ray Dunn, Maurie Fleming and Bill Quinn. They also formed the Executive Committee with the addition of Messrs. Harry Dyke and Pat Kennelly (Chairman of Selectors). The problems of the purchase of the many essentials for the placing of the team in the field are always important, but never more so than at present.

Members do not need to be reminded of the increasing costs of goods, and in private life and business, so in sport. The additional impost of the increase in sales tax from 8⅓% to 33⅓% on sporting materials is a terrific burden on clubs, and in particular junior sides functioning in the district, the majority of these naturally calling on the Senior Club for help.

Donations therefore to junior teams reached an all-time high, and it was the duty of the Finance Committee to see that the money went to the best possible advantage for the future. We feel that the sales taxation is most unjust. Strong representations have been made to the Federal Government for the lowering of the tax to its original level. Prices of necessary gear to play sport has risen out of all knowledge in the past years, but now with a one-third tax in addition, junior sport could be almost liquidated.

We urge our members wherever possible to join in the protests being made, and to do all in their power to have the tax removed or reduced to the previous level.

Matters of great import to the future of the Club are also handled by the Executive Committee which keeps a constant watch on current matters likely to affect us. We thank all officials for the time and attention given their duties on these two Committees.

SELECTION COMMITTEE

The task of selection of the players to represent the Tigers in the football field fell once more to Messrs. P. J. Kennelly, Jack Dyer, Jack Titus, Captain Bill Morris, and Vice-Captain Don Fraser. On occasions, Des Rowe and Ray Stokes were also there as temporary Captain and Vice-Captain. The proxy delegate is Charlie Priestley, and as the 2nd 18 selectors, Messrs. Bob Brady, Jim Phelan and Coach Alby Pannam were present at all meetings, we were always able to get a fair assessment of the capabilities of each of the list players, after each game with the 1st and 2nd 18's.

In addition, reports are received each week on the play of the lads in the 3rd and 4th 18's from Messrs. Andy Brannan and Stewart Hemmerde. The result was the promotion of a number of promising lads to the 2nd 18, whilst three lads from the Thirds made the senior ranks in the same season in Frank Ryan, Ron Reiffel and Bob Gleeson.

ROY WRIGHT
Equal Best and Fairest Player, Season 1951

A special word of appreciation to Messrs. Les Sinclair (R.C.C. Delegate) and Jim Joyce (2nd 18); to Messrs. C. Callander, our delegate to R.C.C., and Percy Langdon to 2nd 18, and to our Players' Representatives, Messrs. Don Fraser, Bill Morris and Bill Wilson, for their efforts for the Club.

PLAYERS

As mentioned in this report, many of the players retained on the training list for 1951 were youthful and the average age was about 21½ years. This was done with the definite purpose of building up a side for the future as most of the lads were under 21 with years of football ahead of them.

The splendid form of the side early in the season gave us hope that perhaps it was to be our year, but such was not to be, as several games were definitely lost by inexperience. Nine first-year players actually took part in games this season and the eldest of these was only 21 years. The full list of players who took part in games in 1951 is shown herein, but others to make the lists were Barry Brown, Noel Webster, Norm Abbott, Pat Audas, Mervyn Beck, Hadyn Cooke, John Currie, Gil Savory and Gerry Walsh, none of whom is over 20 years.

Players from the 1950 list not at the Club this season included Frank Drum (returned to Minyip), Jack Roberts (Coach at Maffra), Ken Sier (Coach) and Gerry Sier to St. Arnaud, Jervis Stokes (Coach at Moorabbin), whilst Jack Atkinson returned for the year to Redan Club, Ballarat, Fred Burge was injured in the practice games and unable to play the whole year, and Ray Ednie, also injured in the practice matches, was able to play only a few games late in the season for the 2nd 18. In addition those mentioned, Stan Wilson was cleared to Coburg, Kevin Healey to Box Hill, Bill Williams to Williamstown, Leo Clarke to Brighton, Des Dickinson to Moorabbin, Max Stormer to Millgrove, and Frank Howard (former player) to Kerang.

With the addition of a number of promising young players from local and country teams, plus several we hope to have available from Interstate Clubs, the team should be able to improve on its performances of 1951 in the coming season.

We express appreciation of the Committee and members to all players who were on the training list and trust they will continue to be an asset to the Club.

TRAINERS AND STAFF

Once again we are pleased to report on the loyal support given us by the members of the Training Staff of the Club. Many of these gentlemen act in an entirely honorary capacity and are at the ground three to four times a week to see what they can do to further aid the Tigers. It is certain no other sporting body has such an excellent group of workers associated with it prepared to help their Club to success in every way possible.

The Trainers led by Mr. Irvine Booth as Head Trainer, comprise Messrs. Jim Evans, Frank Hegarty, Ray Julier, Ron Jordon, Alby Keyhoe, and Bill McDonald. We congratulate them for the way they attend their duties and the care they give their allotted players during the year. Mr. Booth has been a great asset to the Club. In addition to the attention given the players at the rooms, his home is always at the convenience of those needing his expert assistance. We thank Mrs. Booth also for this help.

Mr. Cliff Warry and his 2nd 18 Trainers are also deserving of our thanks. They work in close co-operation with our senior Trainers and the Selectors.

To our ace Property Steward, Charlie Callander, and his new Assistant, Harold Tomison, we express grateful appreciation. Harold took the place of Pat O'Shannassy who unfortunately had to resign through pressure of business, and proved an able deputy to Charlie in his duties of looking after the gear of the Club. Few people realise the work associated with the important task of preparing a football team, and the many essentials required before it can take the field. We assure members that in this work, Charlie Callander has no peer. His property room is the envy of other club officials, and his worth in the position again won him the job of Property Steward to the Victorian team visiting Perth and Adelaide.

To the other members of the staff in Mr. Bill Stanbrough (Time-keeper) and his assistant, Laurie Langdon; to Boot Studder Les Taylor, and assistant, a former player, Ted Collinson; to Door Steward, Jack Chandler; Players' Property Steward, H. Jackson; Alex Salvado (Transport Officer), now making a good recovery after a serious illness, and his assistant, Bill Watts; and to Doug Mc-Kenzie, Ernie Churchill, Bill Barwood, and Committee-room Steward Dick Hohmuth, we record our sincere thanks.

HONORARY MEDICO AND PHYSIO-THERAPIST

Our Club Medical Officer, Dr. P. L. Grogan, was again a most valued worker for the Tigers. His attention to many illnesses and injuries sustained by the players during the season was prompt and successful, and his co-operation with the members of the Selection Committee deeply appreciated.

We report with deep regret the sad death of Mr. Gordon Chivers, our Honorary Masseur for many years. As we had mentioned in previous Annual Reports, the late Mr. Chivers had been a truly wonderful worker for the Richmond Football and Cricket Clubs. The attention, particularly to young players, had been outstanding and many an injury which looked like affecting the sporting future of the lads was cleared quickly with a minimum of pain and discomfort. Gordon is sadly missed by all who knew and held him in great respect. To Mrs. Chivers, we extend our most sincere condolences.

The Club was fortunate in securing the services of Honorary Physio-Therapist, Mr. John Stanley, to replace Mr. Chivers. In the short time John has been with us, he has already given excellent service in the treatment of injuries. His ready co-operation with Dr. Grogan, and Head Trainer Irvine Booth, should prove of great benefit in the years ahead. We extend him our thanks for coming to the aid of the Club and taking over this important posiiton.

BEST AND FAIREST PLAYERS

The counting of the votes cast by the non-playing members of the Selection Committee each Saturday revealed a most unusual position. Players Roy Wright and Des Rowe finished equal first with 98½ votes after a most exciting struggle. Ray Stokes was runner-up with 94. As a result, two trophies will be presented at the Annual Meeting for the Best and Fairest Players. One will be from the usual donor, Mr. Jack Jones, whilst Mr. Arthur Hunt has kindly donated the other.

We congratulate both Roy and Des for their excellent play throughout the season. Both have many years of good football before them, and we trust their high standard of play set in 1951 continues. The names of Roy and Des will thus be inscribed on the Victor Thorp Memorial Shield.

THE BILL COSGROVE MEMORIAL TROPHY

Although he only played six games during the season, Peter Schofield succeeded in winning the best first-year player trophy, donated annually by Mr. Harry Dyke in memory of the late Bill Cosgrove, killed in action with the R.A.A.F.

In the six games, Peter gained 15 votes and scored 21 goals. A grand start, we are certain, to an outstanding football career. Peter is just 20 years old, and was recruited from Mentone Juniors. His services were gained for the Tigers after a battle with other League and Association clubs extending over 12 months. Possessing remarkable goal sense, Peter teamed very well with Jack O'Rourke in the few games they played together. The Club is indeed fortunate to have two such talented young forwards available. Congratulations, Peter. We hope you go on to win higher honours in your football career.

THE J. D. LANGDON MEMORIAL CUP

Twenty-one-year-old utility player, Len Gardiner, was the winner of this handsome Cup as the best and fairest player for the 2nd 18 in 1951. The trophy perpetuates the memory of a grand worker for the Richmond Football Club, both 1st and 2nd 18's, in the late J. D. Langdon, and is a fitting reward for the best player in the Cubs. Len is a lad who graduated to the senior list through the ranks of the 3rd 18, where he also showed great promise.

We wish him further success as a player of the Tigers in the future.

THE J. J. SMITH MEMORIAL TROPHY

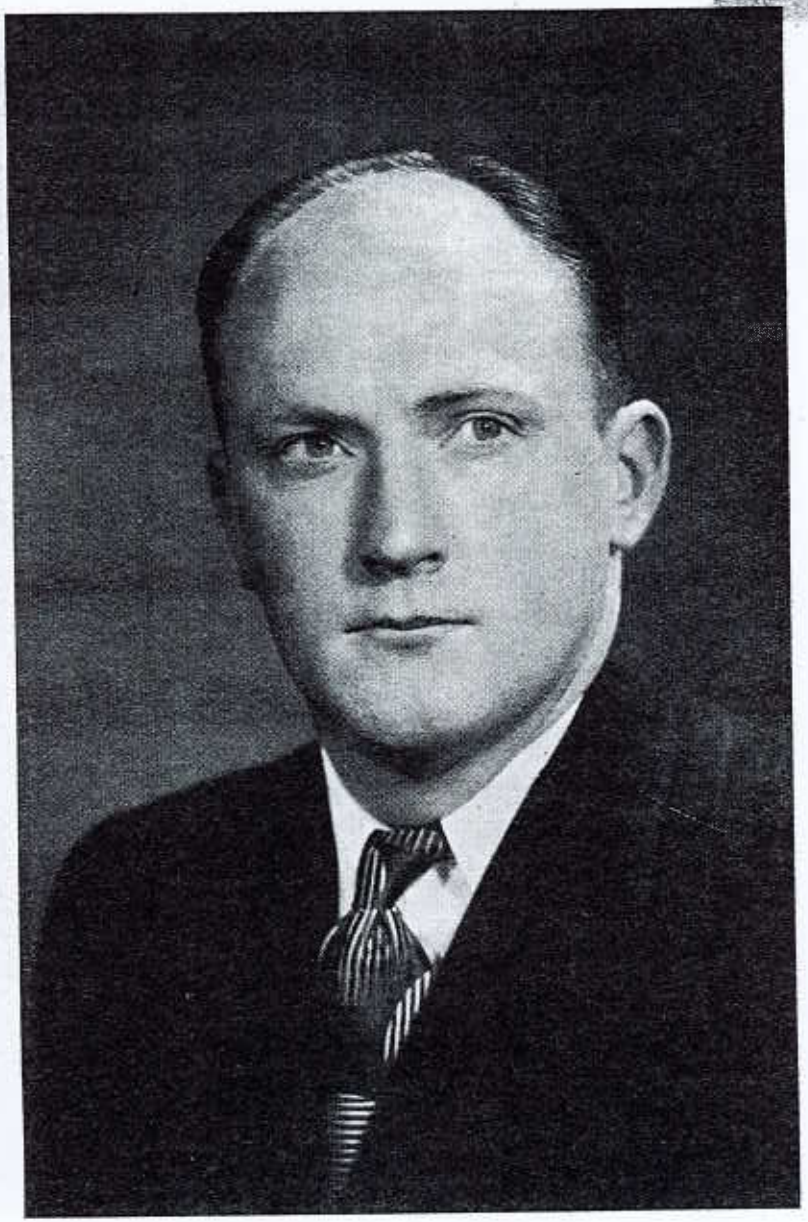
Presented for the best and fairest player in the 3rd 18, this nice Cup is endowed by the senior Club in memory of the late Jack Smith, former Secretary and Treasurer of the Tigers. The Cup was won by Bill Collins. We congratulate him on his excellent play and team-spirit throughout the season.

LIFE MEMBERS FOR 1951

In recognition of 10 years' splendid football, Life Memberships will be conferred on players Bill Morris, Fred Burge and Max Oppy. These will be presented at the Annual Meeting of the Club when members will be given opportunity to show their appreciation of their service to the Tigers.

Bill Morris was cleared to us from Melbourne in 1942, and with the exception of his war service has been a regular player since. Bill quickly won recognition for fine football by early selection in Interstate teams, and in 1950 captained Victoria to the Australian Championship in Brisbane. His scrupulously fair football and talented ruck work has won him a place several times in the All-Australian team selected by Sporting Life, and also a well-deserved Brownlow Medal. He played 140 games and kicked 98 goals in his splendid career with us.

Fred Burge came to the Club from Castlemaine and originally was a rover. During the time he played in that position he scored 105 goals and gave us many excellent games. Fred then developed into a back pocket player where his courage and dash made him an asset to the Club. He has played 116 games. But for unfortunate injuries, this tally would have been many more. At the commencement of 1951, he met with a serious injury to his knee which later necessitated the removal of his cartilage in Prince Henry's Hospital. This prevented him playing for the whole year. However, Fred is



DES ROWE
Equal Best and Fairest Player, Season 1951

already in training, strengthening his knee, and hopes to be in the first team selected in 1952. In this, we are sure all members will wish him well.

Max Oppy is one of the young veterans of the side. Coming to Richmond from Kew in 1942 at the age of 16, he was taken in hand by Jack Dyer and developed into one of the most vigorous and courageous players to ever don a Tiger guernsey. Max has been called upon to fill most positions in the field during his ten years with the Club. As a ruckman, he proved most helpful to his partner, but it was as a rover and later a back pocket player that he gave of his best. Max was selected as a Carnival representative in the Hobart series a few years ago. Two serious operations necessitating removal of his knee cartilage and later, his appendix, did not deter him from playing again, and now at 27 years of age, he has played 130 games and kicked 29 goals.

We thank all three talented players for their clubmanship and assistance to Richmond in ten splendid years of football.

FIVE-YEAR CERTIFICATES

To Max Currie and Ken Roberts goes the honour of receiving five-year playing certificates, to be awarded at the Annual Meeting.

Max first came under notice in an R.A.A.F. side and was induced to play with the Tigers on his discharge from the Services. One of the biggest men to strip with the Club for many years, Max has proved a useful player and at times has played grand football to show he has ability above the ordinary. In his 31 games he has kicked 17 goals. An injured leg has retarded his football in the past two seasons, but he is now fully recovered.

Ken Roberts was recommended from the Richmond United Club and won immediate promotion to the senior side on a half-back flank. Here his dash and accurate passing made him a fine player and team-man. Ken has played 57 games. He is an excellent clubman and well to the fore in all social activities. His help to our little mascot, Loretta, has resulted in many pounds being raised to secure necessary treatment. This has been sincerely appreciated by her parents.

Our thanks to Max and Ken for loyal service to the Club.

RICHMOND CRICKET CLUB

The co-operation extended to our officials by the Executive Officers of our sister Club was again most helpful, and enabled harmony to exist between the two bodies.

The success of both Clubs is dependent upon this feeling of good-fellowship, as our interests are so closely interwoven. We desire to thank Messrs. Jim Cook (President), Percy Maybury (Secretary), the retiring Treasurer, Merv Rankin, and his capable successor, Noel Baragwanath, for their assistance to us at all times. The social activities of both bodies are so arranged to enable players and officials to attend the cricket rooms and participate in the many functions arranged by either Club. In these, Charlie Priestley and Charlie Callander play a major part, and the new Social Secretary of the Cricket Club, Kevin Cook, and his predecessor, Jim Kenna, always did their best to make the functions a success.

The Ground Curator, Mr. Nick Hosking, and his assistant, George Maybury, do their utmost for the Club. The ground is under their constant supervision, and particularly during the winter this is necessary with so much training, four nights a week, and two games each Saturday. We pay personal tribute to Percy Maybury

once more for his kind co-operation. At all times, Percy is there to help and advise in his usual tactful manner.

It was the pleasure of your officials to attend the farewell social to Mr. Mervyn Rankin on his retirement from the position of Treasurer, and to make him a presentation of a travelling bag from the Football Club as a tribute to his help over many years. Another pleasing duty was to attend the complimentary social to Mr. Jack Ledward given by the R.C.C. on his appointment as Secretary of the Victorian Cricket Association—a position Jack is now filling with distinction. A suitable presentation was made him on behalf of the Football Club.

Our congratulations are also due to Test Cricketers, Doug Ring and Bill Johnston on their splendid form with the Australian team in the series against West Indies. The fourth Test is now history. The courageous last wicket stand by Doug and Bill, which brought victory and the winning of the Test rubber to Australia, is fresh in the memory of all sports as one of the highlights of an interesting series. The Civic Reception by our Mayor, Cr. M. P. Sheehy, was a splendid and fitting recognition of two great players, and was attended by many of their associates in the Australian and West Indies teams. May Doug and Bill have further success for the Tigers in the future.

RICHMOND SECOND EIGHTEEN

We here pay tribute to fine officials of the Cubs in President Bob Knapp and Secretary Jim Joyce. Ably aided by Frank Keon, Alby Pannam and the 2nd 18 Committee they again piloted the Cubs through another good season, narrowly missing the finals.

It is pleasing to report to members that Mrs. Knapp has made a good recovery after a serious illness, whilst Jim Joyce, who carried on under difficulties through illness, is again in good health.

We thank Alby Pannam and the 2nd 18 Selection Committee for the help given the senior Selectors throughout the season. Alby gives a detailed report on each of the players and his advice has proven invaluable to the Club. His side was possibly the youngest ever at Richmond, on occasions averaging under 20 years, and this possibly was a main factor in the Cubs missing the finals. We thank all associated with the 2nd 18 for their help.

RICHMOND THIRD AND FOURTH EIGHTEENS

In 1951 we were successful in securing the services of former player, Andy Brannan, to coach the 3rd and 4th Eighteens, and he did excellent work for the lads under his control. The wisdom of this appointment will be noticed in the future as many of the players had only just left school and will benefit considerably from a year's training under good conditions with a capable coach.

The 3rd 18 eventually made the finals but were eliminated by the ultimate premiers, Carlton, in the final. The 4th 18, in an under 17 competition, did not average more than 15½ years, and only won one game, but as most players will still be eligible for 1952, they will be a much more successful combination next season. The 4th 18 had a trip to Sydney under Manager, Stewart Hemmerde, and Mr. Keith Hearn, as the guests of the Eastern Suburbs team, and in return took the lads under 18 from that side as visitors to Melbourne. Games were played in each city.

The administration of the 3rd and 4th 18's proved most capable and Messrs. Ted Bell, Wally Hall, Stewart Hemmerde, and Keith Hearn are thanked for their work for the junior lads of our district. Honorary Trainer, Mr. J. Maws, was also a great help in handling injuries.

JUNIOR FOOTBALL IN OUR DISTRICT

The Committee is pleased to report to members we again assisted local schools and their hard-working sportsmasters during the football season. We pay a special tribute to Mr. Bert Prowse, of the North Richmond State School, for his leadership in caring for the sporting requirements of the children of Richmond, and for his organising ability.

A pleasing function was held at the training rooms at the end of the year when trophies were presented to the premier team and the outstanding players of the year. Refreshments were supplied to the boys and handled by Charlie Callander. More than 120 lads were in attendance. This is to be an annual function. Players Des Rowe, Jack O'Rourke and Ray Horwood addressed the lads and received a warm reception. We were also able to assist St. Ignatius School by a donation in recognition of the school winning three premierships in one season. Bro. Josephus has been a grand worker for the lads there.

In the senior ranks in open age football we again had full co-operation with our district clubs. In Messrs. Bill Williams and Bill Brown, of Richmond Districts, we have two splendid junior workers and their establishment of a 2nd 18 this season should bear fruit for them with seasoned players of the future. Mr. Jack Yewers and the gentlemen associated with the running of the Richmond Citizens Boys' Clubs are also doing great work, and meeting with their share of success in all branches of sport. Their work on behalf of the lads of Richmond should meet with the approval of all citizens.

To all clubs we extended facilities for treatment of serious injuries at the rooms, and this was used by a number to the benefit of the players. To Burnley F.C., Malvern Amateurs, the Y.C.W. and C.Y.M.S. teams, the various Church and Amateur sides, we extend our best wishes. We are prepared to assist all to help further football in our district.

In the new section of our area allotted us by the League, we particularly thank Hughesdale F.C. Committee headed by Jack Hogan, and the East Malvern F.C. for inviting our players to attend a Smoke Social during the season.

PLAYERS' PROVIDENT FUND

Players associated with League football today are much better off than their predecessors as in addition to their Club Provident Fund, they now participate in the Victorian Football League Provident Fund scheme after a qualifying period of five years. This latter fund was established after lengthy enquiry into the best method of recognising the efforts of the men who provide such great entertainment for the public. We pay a tribute to the men who brought this fund into being, and in this work, our own Frank O'Brien and Harry Dyke played a most important part.

The two funds ensure that the players retiring will receive some just recompense for their football, and provides a nest-egg for their future. Strong support once more to the Tigers enabled us to place £690 in our Club Fund in 1951. As this was in addition to the trip to Tasmania, players were well cared for in the past season.

Mr. Jim Macdermott rendered sterling service in the administration of the Fund, and in his work he received excellent aid from his co-trustees, Messrs. Ben Alexander and Harry Dyke.

TROPHY DONORS

Once more it is with a feeling of pride we draw the attention of members to the splendid trophies awarded our players for their efforts during the 1951 season.

Few sporting bodies can boast such a generous group of keen supporters who are ready at all times to donate valuable trophies to the players. These are naturally greatly appreciated by those winning them each week and at the completion of the season.

Members are urged to attend the Annual Meeting early to view the fine gifts which act as a great incentive to the players to give that little extra effort on the field. Those available for presentation this year surpass all previous seasons. We thank the ladies and gentlemen responsible for such a fine array of gifts and also for their help during the year by donations to the players' pool.

In particular we express gratitude to Messrs. Eli Phillips, Cyril Turner, Bill Pitt, Jack Hunt, Arthur Hunt and Johnnie Smith. Our thanks must also go to Messrs. Harry Dyke, Pat Kennelly, Ray Dunn, Ted Newton, Gordon Hoadley, Theo Lewis, Jim Brown, Douglas Stewart, Tom Crisp, Jim Loughnan, Tom Clencie, Frank O'Brien, Senator Jim Sheehan, Mrs. Gregory, Mrs. Roma Palmer, Messrs. Terry Fitzpatrick, Ron Board, Gordon Coote, George Graves, Bud Graves, Bill Quinn, Les Goring, Dr. P. L. Grogan, Jack Jones, Alex Salvado, Maurie Fleming, Dick Lean, J.P., Alex Tait, Max Reddy, Les Sinclair, Bill O'Brien, Ray Donovan (Richmond Sports Store), Chris Dwyer, Terry Dwyer, Jim Macdermott, Clarrie Robertson, Percy Page, Marchants & Co., Harry Roberts, Fred Tupper, A. Creighton, Johnnie Knowles, The Richmond News, Mick Alessio, R. Davis, R. Casey, C. Bamford, E. Churchill, N. Topp, Bill Watts, L. Marsden, G. Cracknell, Ted Reidy, J. McL. Morris, D. Pritchard, J. Jcaobs, Ron Garroway, F. Ford, Major H. Rich, P. Dupe, Dick Kelly, Harley Motor Cycle Club, A. T. McDonald, R. Ahrens, Bob Barry, Leo Hughes, Hughie James, John Costello, C. Johnson, Mr. Cooke, Con Smith and a number of anonymous donors.

DONORS TO CLUB FUNDS

It is with pride and pleasure we report to members that donations to Club Funds for 1951 reached record proportions. An amount of £925/3/- was received and we express appreciation to the grand body of supporters and business people shown in the list in this report.

Prior to the commencement of the season we made an appeal to our friends to make this an outstanding year by donating freely. The success of this appeal is recorded in the fact that we exceeded our previous best of £656/5/6 by £268/17/6. Truly a magnificent effort and one which lends confidence to our claim that we have the most wonderful members in the sporting world.

Although we know that we cannot continue breaking records, we look forward to the time when donations will exceed £1,000 per annum.

To all who have contributed in the past, we express our grateful thanks. We look with pleasure to their continued support in the future.

OBITUARY

We desire to express our sincere sympathy to all associated with the Club who suffered bereavement during 1951. Many of the grand old pioneers who helped establish our game in Melbourne

have passed on. Most recent has been Fred Murray (player), Charlie Taylor (player and head trainer), Tom Delaney (player and life member), Mark Noble (trainer), Arthur Cleghorn (player), Frank ("Gruff") McCashney (player), Gordon ("Cocker") Strang (famous player of the 30's), Ted Wilson (former Secretary and co-founder of the V.F.L.), Cr. Bill Flintoft (former President Melbourne F.C.), Mr. William Horsfall (Committeeman Melbourne F.C.), George Millsom (Committeeman Carlton F.C.), Bob Watterson (Hobart official), and Mrs. Manzie (widow of the late Andrew Manzie, a former Secretary of the Tigers).

More closely associated with us at the present we have had the misfortune to lose grand workers in Ernie Saunders, one of the greatest trainers and masseurs of all time, a great friend to all sportsmen, and a Life Member of the Club; Cyril Le Guier, our Committee-room Steward; Mr. William Archer, donor for many years; Gordon Chivers, mentioned elsewhere in the report; and a dear friend and co-worker for charity, Will Sampson.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Kennelly had the sad misfortune to lose their 12-year-old son, Neil, in a tragic accident just prior to Christmas, and also Mrs. Kennelly's father a few months before. Others to suffer bereavement were Jack Baggott (father), Bill and Geoff Grant (father), Mr. Bruce Doig (father), Harold Edmonds (mother), Mick Alessio (father), Bill McDonald (father), Jack McKenzie (mother), John Meere (mother), Mr. J. W. Anderson (wife), Jack Hunt (mother), Horrie Graham (brother), Graeme Richmond (mother), Walter Lindrum (mother), John Nix (grand-mother), F. V. Hughes (mother-in-law), Cr. Ray Donovan (mother), Brian Boland (grandfather), Theo Lewis (father). Our Club Auditor, Mr. W. J. Doig; Jim Douglas, grand old worker for the Richmond Cricket Club; and Cr. Albert Huckerby also passed away.

A great Australian and friend of this Club in the Hon. J. B. Chifley, former Prime Minister, passed on.

To all mentioned above and to their sorrowing families, and to others associated with our Club and football who lost loved ones, we extend our deepest condolences.

SOCIAL AND CHARITABLE EFFORTS

The social activities associated in modern times with the conduct of a football club are many and varied. It is therefore necessary to have at the head of such a committee, men of ability and understeanding. At Richmond, we are indeed fortunate to have grand workers in Charlie Priestley (Secretary) and Les Goring (President) leading an energetic committee. Charlie is one of the best workers ever associated with the Club, and has the happy knack of getting things done with a minimum of trouble. We thank him for his efforts in caring for the social requirements of the players, committee and staff so ably during 1951.

Social events included a Theatre Party at the King's Theatre, golf days, cricket matches, pleasant Sunday mornings at the Club, Club Ball at the Ziegfield Palais, an Old-Timers Match with an old-players' re-union afterward, Kia-Ora Sports Parade, and several evenings at the R.C.C. rooms.

The golf days were always successful, and will continue right throughout the year; the annual cricket and golf days with the R.C.C. were very successful and provided opportunity of the two Clubs meeting under social conditions. The nights at the R.C.C. rooms at which we entertained the Collingwood Football Club, the Richmond Union Bowling Club, and the Richmond Cricketers were splendid nights and enjoyed by all. We are grateful to the officials

RICHMOND FOOTBALL CLUB—INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT, SEASON 1951

EXPENDITURE

Team Maintenance:—			
Players' Allowances, Sustenance, Loss of Time, etc.	£2,634 14 0		
Coach and Training Staff	739 7 6		
Richmond Football Club 2nd XVIII.	326 2 5		
Richmond 3rd XVIII, Richmond Junior League and Junior Club Expenses	305 15 8		
Materials, Training Requisites	1,066 11 8		
Medical Supplies and Expenses	547 14 10		
Insurance—Players	97 3 0		
Players' Presentations and Trophies	77 9 5		
Transport and Car Hire	112 5 3		
Recruiting Expense	143 8 5		
Refreshments, Entertainments, etc.	721 6 8		
Delegates' Fees	2 2 0		
Players' Provident Fund	690 0 0		
Blazers, Uniforms, etc.	654 14 9		
Club Trips, etc.	1,555 11 0		
		£9,664 6 7	
Administration Expenses:—			
Annual Meeting Expenses	£50 18 8		
Printing and Advertising	575 0 8		
Telephone, Telegrams, Postage	138 12 8		
Wreaths	24 2 6		
Secretarial Salary and Expense Allowance	864 5 0		
Ground Management	426 9 10		
Maintenance—Club Rooms	60 11 11		
Presentations, Donations, Hospital Appeals, etc.	69 5 0		
General Expenses	46 5 8		
		2,255 11 11	
Honoraria		251 7 0	
Commission on Sale of Tickets		19 12 0	
Payroll Tax		82 17 9	
Depreciation—Furniture and Fittings		131 5 1	
		£12,405 0 4	

RECEIPTS

Membership:—			
Sale of Tickets:			
5253 Adult Tickets at 18/6	£4,859 0 6		
864 Scholars' Tickets at 5/-	216 0 0		
	£5,075 0 6		
Less Levy paid to V.F.L.	145 3 6		
		£4,929 17 0	
Richmond Cricket Club Membership Payments		861 7 0	
Donations		925 3 0	
Gate Receipts:—			
Matches Home Ground	£1,484 10 7		
Matches Other Grounds	2,623 14 2		
Practice Matches	62 6 0		
		4,170 10 9	
Share of Second Round Proceeds:—			
Finals	£1,733 6 8		
Less V.F.L. Levies	766 1 4		
		967 5 4	
Broadcasting Rights		25 0 0	
Catering Rights		352 10 0	
Interest Received		53 1 0	
Balance to Accumulation Account		120 6 3	
		£12,405 0 4	

RICHMOND FOOTBALL CLUB—BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st DECEMBER, 1951

LIABILITIES

Creditors	£6 6 0	
Provision for Taxation	150 0 0	
Accumulation Account 31/12/50	£3,826 14 7	
Less deficit Season 1951	120 6 3	
	3,706 8 4	
	£3,862 14 4	

ASSETS

E. S. & A. Bank Limited		£1,871 9 10
State Savings Bank—Trip Fund		2 16 5
Commonwealth Loan		1,400 0 0
Furniture, Fittings, etc., 1/1/51	£164 9 0	
Add Additions	261 10 0	
	£425 19 0	
Less Depreciation	131 5 1	
		294 13 11
V.F.L. Club Trust Account		293 14 2
		£3,862 14 4

H. J. DYKE, President. W. A. QUINN, Treasurer. MAURIE FLEMING, Secretary.

RICHMOND FOOTBALL CLUB PLAYERS' PROVIDENT FUND, SEASON 1951

RECEIPTS

To Balance State Savings Bank		£937 17 2
„ Interest:—		
Commonwealth Loan Bonds	£46 17 6	
State Savings Bank	9 12 11	
		56 10 5
„ Grant Richmond Football Club, Season 1951		690 0 0
		£1,684 7 7

DISBURSEMENTS

By Payments to Players:—		
Howard, F.	£12 14 3	
Phillips, P.	19 5 7	
Roberts, J.	41 6 0	
Sier, K.	66 16 4	
Stokes, J.	56 2 4	
Williams, W.	7 15 2	
Wilson, S.	6 9 4	
		£210 9 0
„ Balance State Savings Bank		1,473 18 7
		£1,684 7 7

PROVIDENT FUND BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st DECEMBER, 1951

LIABILITIES

Participants' Credits and Interest	£2,973 18 7
	£2,973 18 7

ASSETS

Commonwealth Loan Bonds	£1,500 0 0
Balance State Savings Bank	1,473 18 7
	£2,973 18 7

DIGEST OF SALES OF 1951 MEMBERS' TICKETS

Sales—Adults	5,253
Unsold—Adults	1,088
Life Members, Donors, Complimentaries, etc.	649
Sent local firms (not returned)	7
Sales—Scholars	864
Unsold—Scholars	45
Complimentary Tickets sent local Schools, and Boys' Homes	91
	7,997

As issued by Printer:—	
Adults	6,997
Scholars	1,000
	7,997

The President and Members, Richmond Football Club, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have to report that I have examined the Accounts and Transactions of your Club for the year ended 31st December, 1951.

I have been advised that the Club did not at the 31st December, 1951, have any liabilities other than those shown in the above Balance Sheet.

I have pleasure in advising that in my opinion, the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up and correctly sets forth the true position of the Richmond Football Club at the 31st December, 1951, according to the information and explanations afforded me and as shown by the books of the Club.

29th January, 1952.

BRUCE W. L. DOIG, Chartered Accountant (Aust.), Auditor.

of the R.C.C. for allowing us to use their rooms and facilities. The Club Ball was a splendid night and more than 500 attended this pleasing function.

The old-timers' match at North Melbourne raised money for several charities and provided opportunity for fans to see their old favorites in action again. We desire to thank all former players for taking part, particularly those who came Interstate in Basil McCormack and Eric Zschech. The re-union afterwards at our rooms was a great success, and enjoyed by all.

Harry Dyke suggested to old players present that they should form an Old-Players' Association, and this is now being considered.

Collections were made by the Social Committee and charity workers for the 3KZ Christmas Appeal, the 3DB Children's Hospital Funds, the Spastic Children's Appeal, the Berry Street Foundling Home, Prince Henry's Hospital and other charities and raised considerable sums for the bodies named. We thank our workers who assisted and the football followers who contributed each day.

At Christmas time, a toy was sent to each child of players, staff and committee associated with the Club at present. In this work, we wish to thank Charlie Callander, Alan Lindsay (Foy's) and Harold Tomison.

During the season we entertained a number of visiting teams from the country and Interstate. Our old friends Max and Stella Reddy were always present to help, whilst Barry Sandford was another to assist.

Donations were made by the Club to assist a number of appeals for local charities and hospitals and in numerous ways we helped these deserving causes to gain financially.

The 2nd 18 dances were again a regular feature and were well patronised by the players. Mr. Mal Wishart and his Social Committee are deserving of the thanks of all for providing this entertainment.

The game played by the Association and League Umpires and the Challenge Softball Match, both at St. Kilda Ground, between the Test players and League footballers were for the benefit of Prince Henry's Hospital Sportsmen's Ward. The workers who attended both days and the splendid committees handling the arrangements were thanked by the Hospital at a social evening held later.

Mr. Terry Fitzpatrick and his co-workers for charity at Poowong are again thanked for inviting our party to attend and play a game for charity. Our lads were billeted at no cost, and later attended a dance and barbecue as guests of the local people. Jack Dyer and Charlie Callander handled arrangements.

The Racing Writers versus 3XY Football Match was played at our ground in aid of the Blind Babies' Auxiliary and Prince Henry's Hospital Sportsmen's Ward. As a result of this excellent day, each body received a cheque for £500. Again per medium of the effort of Messrs. Matt O'Donohue and Bert Wolfe ("Cardigan") and the Trotting Control Board, the same charities received a one-sixth share of a trotting meeting at the Showgrounds, to the value of £823. A fine effort. Through Mr. Bill Dooley and "Cardigan," Prince Henry's Hospital also received £500 from Command Performance at the Town Hall, Melbourne. All who helped to attain such magnificent returns have been suitably thanked.

It might be of interest to members to know that to the end of 1951, the Sportsmen's Ward Fund totalled just on £75,000, thus building three sportsmen's wards in the new hospital. We are now on the way to the fourth ward. By the end of 1952, we are hopeful that £100,000 will be reached. In this work, Messrs. George, Bill and Bud Graves have played a big part. Our thanks are also tendered to Hon. P. L. Coleman, M.L.C., and to Messrs. Frank Scully, Tom Hayes, and Ernie Shepherd, M's.L.A. Other comforts provided at the hospital are a radiogram for the resident medical staff and an electric sewing machine for the Sisters in the new Nurses' Home. Messrs. Harry Dyke, Ray Dunn, Pat Kennelly, Les Goring, Charlie Callander, Charlie Priestley and Percy Langdon are other grand workers for the hospital.

We again extend thanks to Messrs. Roy Hall, Laurie Langdon, Phil and George Riley, Bill Barwood, Ern Bowler, Mrs. J. Valastro, Misses T. Bryan, Loris Langdon, R. O'Brien, and H. Youie for their continued help with social activities.

The Club again rendered assistance to the various radio football games by making available gear for the day, and to the Returned Soldiers' League Annual Swimming Carnival with help in organisation of the various events.

The Club attended the Complimentary Social Evening tendered Test cricketers, Doug Ring and Bill Johnston, in the Town Hall, Richmond, by Mayor, Cr. M. P. Sheehy. Suitable presentations were made both from the Mayor, and also to their other Victorian Test representatives on behalf of the City of Richmond.

The Kia-Ora Sports Parade held in the Melbourne Town Hall was again a wonderful night. This progressive firm must be warmly congratulated for continuing to sponsor this session in the interests of sport in Victoria. Messrs. John Clemenger & Co. handled the show once more, and we warmly congratulate Mr. Clemenger, Mr. Douglas Elliot, Mr. and Mrs. Max Reddy, Mr. Leo Keane, and the capable 3KZ staff led by Mr. Norman Banks for their splendid presentation of the Tigers' big night.

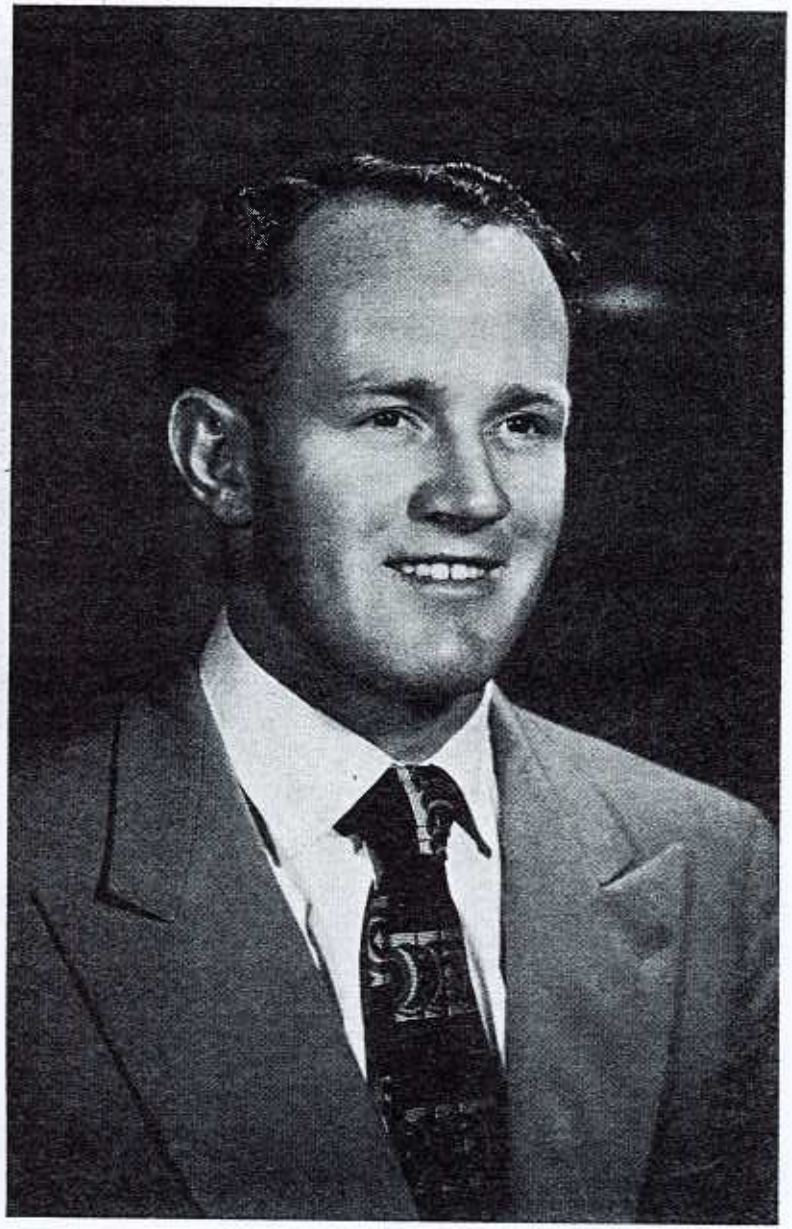
The Town Hall was crowded by our supporters and all enjoyed a grand evening. The Sports Parade for 1952 will be held on Friday, 2nd May, again in the Melbourne Town Hall, when it is hoped to have Miss Gladys Moncrieff as our guest star for the night. The Kia-Ora dinner to all League clubs at the Hotel Australia was a wonderful success, and well attended by football administrators.

Our thanks to Kia-Ora, John Clemenger & Co., and 3KZ for this practical help, and to the Club Social Committee and girls who worked with the players to make the night one to remember by our football supporters.

VISIT TO TASMANIA

As a Jubilee Year gesture, the Committee invited all players, trainers, staff and committeemen to visit Tasmania at the end of the season. Due to business reasons, a party of 45 only was able to make the trip. Charlie Priestley was appointed Manager, with Bill Quinn as his assistant.

An Ansett-Pioneer air and motor coach tour was arranged for 11 days. Leaving Melbourne by air for Launceston where we stayed overnight, the party was then taken in two coaches for a tour of the eastern portion of the island, visiting in turn such scenic resorts as Scottsdale, St. Mary's, Swansea, Eaglehawk Neck, Port Arthur, and thence to Hobart. Two enjoyable days were spent at the Lufra Hotel, Eaglehawk Neck. A day visit to Port Arthur old convict settlement proved most interesting.



MAX OPPY
Life Member, 1951; 10-Year Player

At Hobart, the party was at the Imperial Hotel for five days. This enabled visits to the Huon Valley, Mount Wellington and other of the splendid tourist places round the city. Entertainment was provided by the Sandy Bay Football Club with a social evening at Margate, and the Clarence Football Club at a smoke social. Our appreciation was extended to the Committees of both Clubs, and friendships renewed with a number of former Victorians now resident in Tasmania in Basil McCormack, Eric Zschech, Stan Ryan, Bernie Waldron, Bert Edwards, Jack Bennett, Gordon Bowman and many others. The Tigers also received a warm welcome from Mr. Don Clark, Secretary of the Tasmanian Football League, and his fellow officials. Several officials attended the meeting of the League as guests, and were made welcome.

The hospitality extended by Tasmanians is a by-word among sporting bodies, and this trip proved no exception. Members were made guests at several theatres and dances and opportunity taken to make us feel at home.

Leaving Hobart, the tour then extended through the Great Lakes district to Ulverstone, Latrobe, Devenport to Burnie where we spent the final night as guests of the Burnie Football Club at a Footballers' Ball, a function which extended into the small hours of the morning and a fitting conclusion to a wonderful visit. On Sunday, 14th October, the whole party returned by parlour coach from Burnie to Western Junction aerodrome, and home by plane.

Thus ended one of the happiest trips ever undertaken by Tigers, capably organised and managed by Messrs. Priestley and Quinn. At the Annual Meeting presentations will be made to both as a token of esteem by all on the trip.

We also compliment Ansett-Pioneer for their part in the success of the trip. A letter to this effect has been forwarded to Mr. R. M. Ansett conveying our thanks to all members of his staff, particularly his coach drivers who did all they could to make the visit a memorable one. In his acknowledgment, Mr. Ansett stated his Company was always delighted to handle the trips of the Tigers and paid a high compliment from his staffs, hotel and transport sections, to those who had made the trip for their assistance and co-operation.

GENERAL

The Committee decided to publish a Jubilee Year Book giving a brief history of the Club, and including many pictures of past and present champions. In this work, we had the co-operation of Mr. Howard Lee, a Melbourne publisher. As a result, members of the Club have had an opportunity at a reasonable cost of securing some useful data about their Club. A limited number of the books are still available at a cost of 2/6, and will be on sale at the Annual Meeting at the Melbourne Town Hall. We desire to thank all who co-operated in the production of the book, especially the business firms who advertised to assist defray the cost of publication.

The V.F.L. Lightning Premiership was played at the M.C.G. on 9th May, and after an interesting struggle was won by Collingwood. The Magpies thus won the coveted Jubilee Trophy, and deserve warm congratulations on the splendid form shown. Our team was successful in winning through to the semi-final series, but was then eliminated. The proceeds were donated to the Women's Hospital Appeal, and a splendid sum handed over by the V.F.L. The Lightning Premiership is now to be an annual fixture, and will be played at the Melbourne Cricket Ground on 24th May, 1952.

Due to the Town Hall, Melbourne, being renovated for the Royal visit, it was necessary to have the Annual Meeting this year on 27th February, at 8 p.m. We are proud of the fact we are able to attract over 2,000 of our members along to attend the meeting, and thus allow them all to be seated and see the proceedings in comfort. A splendid musical programme has been arranged and the meeting will include presentation of trophies, life memberships and five-year certificates. New players signed on for 1952 will also be introduced by President Harry Dyke.

The usual scholar membership tickets were presented to local schools, orphanages, and boys' homes, whilst several trophies were also given by officials to the schoolboys in Richmond. Donations were made to other junior bodies in our district to assist them through a hard year.

Mr. Bruce Andrew has now been appointed Secretary of the Australian National Football Council in place of Mr. Percy Mitchell who has retired through pressure of private business. We wish Bruce every success in the big task confronting him in furthering our game throughout Australia. His work is already bearing fruit in Queensland and rapid progress is being made in country districts of N.S.W. Our best wishes to Percy Mitchell for a grand effort during his term of office.

We are pleased to report to members that Mr. Alex Salvado is making good recovery from a serious illness which necessitated the removal of his leg in the Military Hospital, Heidelberg. Sal is now able to get about again, and warmly welcomed in sporting circles in Richmond.

The Annual Dinner to Donors, Press and Radio was held in the Hotel Australia on 18th February and once more was a social success. Well attended, it was truly representative of the men who contribute so generously to our funds, and our friends of the sporting section of the Press and Radio world. Elsewhere in this report we have taken opportunity of thanking these gentlemen for their help, but the Dinner allowed us to show more tangible appreciation of their assistance to the Tigers.

It was again our pleasure to have the meetings of the V.F.L. Trainers' Association held in our rooms during 1951. The Burnley Football Club also conducted the annual meeting there recently. We are pleased to have been of assistance to both bodies.

The visit of the English Soccer team enabled our members to meet and see these champions in action. One of the important games of the series was played at Richmond, where the Cricket and Football Clubs were able to entertain them after the match. A trophy was given by our Club to the best player in the English side in the game. Many friendships were made by our officials with our talented visitors. We were happy to have the pleasure of entertaining such fine sportsmen from overseas.

The State Schoolboys' Carnival was held in Melbourne in 1951. It was our pleasure to have the sponsorship of Western Australia during their stay. We were able to entertain the whole party at the State, Esquire and Regent Theatres thanks to the help given by the managements. We also had the lads at the Swimming Carnival at the City Baths for Prince Henry's Hospital. Thanks to the co-operation of the Richmond Cricket Club, we were able to stage two of the games at Richmond, and to supply meals to the teams and officials taking part. Prior to leaving, the manager and coach of the Western Australian lads officially thanked the Tigers for their help

and made a presentation of a pen to our Secretary. Charlie Callander rendered great help, whilst Jack Dyer, Bill Morris, Harold Tomison, Irvine Booth and Ted Bell also assisted the lads with advice and attention to injuries. This help was also given to Roy Hayes and his N.S.W. lads.

The Australian Amateur Football Carnival was held in Melbourne and through the co-operation of the R.C.C. and our Club we were able to have a round of games played at Richmond. Our Club assisted to service the games and received the warm thanks of the Executive Officers of the Amateur Association.

Visits to the ground were made by the South-East (Tasmania) Club, Whitten (N.S.W.) F.C., Tantanoola (South Australia) F.C., and also by the local sportsmasters of schools. This entertainment was deeply appreciated by all attending.

Richmond Districts F.C. were able to play a game at our ground against Fairfield during the last season and staged a fine match resulting in a win for the local side.

We were able to help the members of the Richmond Rest House Club to raise funds for the elderly citizens of Richmond. The Club also received Christmas greetings from our oldest living player, Alf Hill, 90 years old, and our Life Member with longest service in Archie McNair, elected to this honoured position in 1905. Both gentlemen are still interested in the doings of the Tigers.

APPRECIATION

The deep appreciation of the Club is expressed to the following supporters for assistance rendered the Club:—

The business people who help by disposing of our membership tickets, and the tickets for Sports Parade. In these efforts special thanks are due Miss Joyce Fox (M.S.D.), Keith Winchester (Hartleys), Lindsay Hassett, Ron Todd, The Leviathan, Mountfords, Mrs. Les Goring, Primrose Flower Shop, Alexander's Clothing Stores, Bruno Cardenti, Bill Higginbotham, Richmond Sports Store, Tiger Milk Bar, Bill Morris, Des Rowe, Mick Kanis, Keith McClure and Jim Lobato for outstanding work for the Club.

To Mr. Kevin Cashman and Mrs. D. Tink for kindness in sending to the Club paintings on silk of a Tiger head and a Tiger.

Mr. Bill Pitt has been of great help in the purchase of trophies for the players and most generous with his donations of same. His gift of a wireless for the Committee-room was a fine gesture.

To the gentlemen who assist us with the purchase of gear for the players we offer thanks. Messrs. Kevin Toms, Ted McAuliffe, Tom Ready, Jim Moore are specially mentioned. Others in Messrs. Tom Crisp, Arthur Hunt, Alan Lindsay, Fred Chatto, Graham Halliday, Lisle Jackson, Ray Barden and Bill Pitt help each year with purchase of many of the necessities required for the Club.

Our good friends at Prince Henry's Hospital have once more been to the fore in assisting the Tigers. Colonel Wallis, Miss Jean Vanston, Miss Valerie Hall, Doctors McDonald, Hudson and McLaren have all helped throughout the past year.

FRED BURGE
Life Member, 1951; 10-Year Player

The firm of Malties Pty. Ltd., of Brunswick, continue to assist us with an advertisement on our membership ticket. We thank the management for this help over a long period.

In entertainment, we are grateful to Messrs. Harold McPhail (Regent), Jim Collins (State), Brian Connolly (Esquire), J. Kelleway (Capitol) and Reg Potter (Hoyts) for many gestures of kindness to us.

Mr. Ralph Hamley, who took over the position of Secretary of the 2nd 18 League, has been most helpful with advice.

During 1951, Messrs. Doug Elliot, Max Reddy, Jack Hunt, Johnnie Smith and Jack Cadush helped at several socials with donations of good cheer. We thank them all for their help.

The officials of all district, country, and Interstate Clubs with whom we have contact, and the V.F.L. District Councillors are thanked sincerely for their co-operation at all times.

Master Roger Kennedy for a handsome Cup, the Harley Club of Victoria, Mrs. Roma Palmer and her son, Ian, are asked to accept our gratitude for assistance last season.

In George Saunders we have a very worthy successor to his late father, Ernie Saunders, in the special treatment of injuries. Thanks, George, for all you do for the Tigers.

Once more it is our pleasure to compliment Hon. Like McBrien, Secretary of the V.F.L., on his capable staff. Led by Mr. Eric McCutchan they all do their best for football administrators, but for the special kindnesses and courtesy shown us, we express our gratitude.

Messrs. Stan Keon, M.H.R., and Frank Scully, M.L.A., our local Members of Parliament, are ever-ready to help the Tigers.

Mr. Jim Hawksworth and his capable M.C.C. staff at Yarra Park are of great help to us. A special word of thanks to Mr. Bill Cesari for many kindnesses.

To Mr. Ted Mawdsley (Berwick), Mr. and Mrs. Bon Carter (Castlemaine), Harold (Tubby) Edmonds, and Des Martin are thanked for help with local papers and general assistance, whilst the staff of the Richmond Post Office, State Savings Bank (Swan Street) and the E.S.A. Bank (Burnley Street) led by Manager Mr. Frank Mulligan, have all helped in numerous ways in the past.

Our popular Committeeman, Les Goring, has been of special help with meeting players from Interstate and Country, and with Mrs. Goring, been very kind in looking after board of new lads when it has been hard to secure same. Their home is always at the disposal of the Club. We thank them both for this help. Les also donated a specially made board for lectures to the team in field placings.

Assistant Secretary Martin Bolger completed his twenty-first year of service to the Club as a player and committeeman. Martin secured his Life Membership for 10 years as a player, and was then elected to the Committee where he has been of great value in the many positions he has occupied during the past 11 years.

Legal advisers Ray Dunn and Frank O'Brien are always at the service of everyone at the Club, and render help to those needing advice without remuneration. Both have been fine workers for the Tigers for many years.

A special word of thanks to Messrs. Mick Fleming, Bill Barwood, Laurie Langdon, Norman Eyre, Ernie Churchill, Lawson Muir, Miss Tony Bryan, Roma O'Brien, Loris Langdon, and Hazel Youie for their special efforts in the sale of membership tickets.

Our best wishes to Mr. Doug Geddes and the members of the Chief Petty Officers Club of the Flinders Naval Depot for the entertainment provided our party when visiting the Depot as their guests. Mr. Geddes is a keen Tiger, always trying to assist the Club with entertainment and securing new players.

PRESS AND RADIO

Once more we desire to express our most sincere thanks to the ladies and gentlemen associated with the press and radio for the help given to Richmond in 1951. Our supporters can never hear or read too much of the doings of their players and of the activities of their Club. Without the assistance rendered by the wireless stations and the press we would find it difficult to keep members advised of the gossip of the training room.

To all associated with this help we express grateful thanks. We mention particularly Messrs. Bill O'Connor, Alf Brown, Keith Black, "Weg," Bob Buchanan, of the "Herald"; Peter Bennett, Kevin Hogan, Kevin Brosnan, Rex Pullen, Roy Terry and Brian Feely, of the "Sun"; Hugh Buggy, Percy Taylor, Jack Cannon, Jack Dunn, Ken Moses, of the "Argus"; Fred Laby, Hec De Lacy, Jim Blake, George Andrew and George Taylor, of the "Sporting Globe"; to Percy Beames, John Richardson, Hal Tipping, Bruce Welsh, Graham Perkins, Mr. Cooper, of the "Age"; to Herb. Rothwell, of the "Circle"; Jim Carroll, of the "Guide"; Clyde Palmer, of the "Truth"; George and Bill Cathie, of the "Football Record"; to the Editor and staff of the "Richmond News" and the "Richmond Free Press," our local papers; to Norman Banks, Syd Morgan, Jack Green, Kevin O'Gorman, John Ford and Eddie Balmer, of 3KZ; to Fred Tupper, Tony Charlton, Ray Chapman and Arthur Lyster, of 3AW; Mel Morris and Noel Bayley, of the A.B.C.; Alwyn Kurts, Douglas McKenzie, of 3XY; to Eric Welch, Dick Cranbourne, and Ron Casey, of 3DB; to John McMahon, Lew Bennett, Jack Gurry, of 3UZ. To the pictorial and administrative staffs of the press and to the staff of the broadcasting stations, we also offer thanks.

CONGRATULATIONS

To Richmond Districts F.C. for gaining the Final Four of the Metropolitan League, and to Richmond Citizens for their success in the football and cricket competitions in which they participate.

To Geelong, and popular Jack Jennings (President), former Tiger Laird Smith, Reg Hickey and Fred Flanagan, committee, players and staff on a well-deserved Jubilee Premiership; also to Essendon, Collingwood and Footscray on making the finals.

To Essendon on winning the first V.F.L. Championship, an innovation which won appreciation of all football lovers.

The Prahran F.C. gained a splendid victory in the V.F.A. Premiership. To Bill Faul and Paddy Walsh who handled the team we extend our best wishes for further success.

Jack Leyden, a former player, won his degree as a Doctor and is now attached to the medical staff of St. Vincent's Hospital.

Bernie Smith, Geelong champion, won the Brownlow Medal, and also participated in several newspaper and wireless awards. A fine effort from a grand player. Other players to share in awards were Ron Clegg, of South Melbourne; Geoff Harriott (best and fairest of Geelong District League); Cec Hiscox, outstanding player of the V.F.A. who scooped the pool of awards in that body; and to former player, Noel Ross, best and fairest in Central Gippsland League. Congratulations to all from the Tigers.

Mr. Matt O'Donohue, "Herald" turf writer and splendid charity worker, who with Mr. Bert Wolfe ("Cardigan") has been a great friend of Richmond, is congratulated on his election to Presidency of the V.A.L. Matt is a capable organiser and well versed in athletics and should be an acquisition to footrunning ranks in the position.

Mr. Bill Brew, Essendon Vice-President, has been elected by the V.F.L. as delegate to the National Football Council, and should prove a great worker for our game.

Carlton 2nd and 3rd 18's won the premiership of their respective Leagues, a splendid performance which augurs well for the future of the Blues.

To Mr. Harry Bell on his splendid work as Honorary Secretary of Carlton Football Club. Harry has retired after 12 years' work and with Mrs. Bell is taking a well-earned trip to England. He has been replaced by Cr. Larry Floyd, former Secretary of Williamstown. We wish Larry success in his new position. Congratulations also to

JACK O'ROURKE'S SENSATIONAL MARK
Richmond v. Collingwood, Richmond Ground, 9th May, 1951
(Photo by courtesy of "The Age")

Mr. Joe White appointed as Hon. Secretary of South Melbourne F.C., and Mr. Les Phelan, new President of Fitzroy F.C. We wish both gentlemen a good term of office. Best wishes also to Mr. George Hook, former President of the Maroons, now retired, and to Mr. Jack Cullen, President of South Melbourne F.C., now recovered from a serious injury.

Our Tiger cricketers Doug Ring and Bill Johnston have won further fame for Richmond by their deeds on the cricket field. Bill Johnston wins further acclaim by passing the coveted 100 wickets in Test cricket. A grand performance, Bill.

Bert Clay, star Fitzroy ruckman, has retired after a splendid career. Good luck for the future, Bert. Congratulations and best wishes to Alan Ruthven, new Coach of Fitzroy, and to Norm Smith, appointed as Coach of Melbourne, for their future in football.

For the splendid performance in again winning premierships we congratulate the Mentone Juniors and Heidelberg Juniors. The executive officers of both clubs are on splendid terms with our Committee to the mutual benefit of the three clubs.

Our best wishes to Miss Gladys Moncrieff and Mr. W. H. Roddick on receiving New Year honors.

It was pleasing to his many friends to see Mr. Norman Banks, ace commentator of 3KZ, fully recovered from his serious illness. Norm is a great friend to all football administrators and players.

Congratulations to Cr. Maurie Sheehy on his election as the Mayor of Richmond, and to his predeccessor, Cr. Tom Bolger, for the capable manner in which he handled his many duties.

Our best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Vassily Trunoff, keen Tiger fans, on their success in ballet overseas. In a recent letter, Vassily stated they expected to be back for the football season.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Geoff Spring, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Wiggins, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Col Austen, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Harris, and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Stokes on celebrating a happy event.

Our best wishes for the future happiness of the following associated with the Club who were married in the past year: Ron Irvine, Ray Dunn, Ernie Churchill, Clark Saunders, and Jack Atkinson.

During the past season, Alby Pannam completed 100 games with the Cubs, thus passing 300 games with Collingwood and ourselves during his long career. Congratulations, Alby.

Congratulations to the many Tiger players now coaching teams throughout Australia. Success again came to Dick Harris (Mordialloc) and Alan McDonald (South Bendigo) with premierships, whilst others to do well were Des Martin (Watchem), runner-up; Jack Quinn, (Whitten, N.S.W.), lightning premiership winner; George Dempster (Tantanoola, S.A.), runner-up and lightning premiership winner; Jack Roberts (Maffra), third position; Ken Sier (St. Arnaud) and Jervis Stokes (Moorabbin). Our best wishes will go to Ray Stokes who has returned home to Tasmania and will coach Burnie, his home town, and thanks for a grand effort whilst at Richmond.

To Don Fraser who passed the 100 games mark with the Club, and to Ken Roberts who reached 57 games, go our thanks for splendid football with the Tigers, and to our Interstate representatives, Don Fraser, Bill Morris, Ray Poulter, and Jack O'Rourke.

Frank ("Checker") Hughes and his son, Frank, are going overseas for a holiday trip on the Otranto. On the same boat will be Tiger cricketer, Bill Cockburn, going back to Lancashire to have another season's cricket there, and keen Tiger supporters and social workers in Mrs. Maurie Fleming, Mrs. Les Goring, Miss Jean Wilson, Mrs. E. Williamson and Miss S. Doolan to enjoy a holiday in England. We wish all mentioned above the best from their friends at Richmond for a happy holiday.

ADDENDUM

On the completion of twelve years' service as Secretary of the Club, I wish to take this opportunity of thanking all who have been so kind and helpful to me in the course of my duties.

I am proud to have been associated with the Tigers for so long in an administrative position and to have had the co-operation of so many loyal and keen supporters among our committee, players, staff and members.

Our Club holds a high place in the sporting world and is held in great respect throughout Australia. Those who read this report will have some idea of the many with whom we come in contact in sport and business, and the numerous good people who have become donors to our Club. Your present executive officers feel they have the full support of the members in their efforts of furthering the Club, both on and off the field, and thank all who have helped them in their efforts.

I desire to pay a special tribute to Mr. Harry Dyke, our capable President, for his whole-hearted co-operation, and to Messrs. Pat Kennelly, Ray Dunn, Jack Dyer, Bill Quinn, Percy Langdon and Charlie Priestley, with an added word of thanks to a fine worker for Richmond in Charlie Callander.

The recruiting endeavours of the committee should bear fruit this season. From the players secured we hope to take the side back into the finals, a position which they occupied for so many years in the past. We ask the support of all members in our efforts to accomplish this in 1952.

—MAURIE FLEMING, Secretary.

PRESIDENT'S ADDENDUM

On behalf of the Committee of Management and members of the Richmond Football Club, I wish to express appreciation of the excellent work performed by your Secretary, Mr. Maurie Fleming. At all times it has been a pleasure to work with him and the unlimited time he has spent in endeavouring to further the interests of the Richmond Football Club, unfortunately were not crowned with the success they deserved on the field.

To the members of the Committee I express my appreciation of their loyalty and co-operation at all times and can only hope for better results on the field from the side in 1952.

Thanks again to our Coach, Mr. Jack Dyer, who is one of the best clubmen Richmond has ever had and is always ready to make any sacrifice in the interests of the team.

HARRY DYKE, President.

ANNUAL TROPHIES, SEASON 1951

For	Donor	Won by
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" "	Mr. Chris Dwyer	Alby Pannam
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" "	Mr. Arthur Hunt	Bill Morris
" "	Mr. Jack Jones	Peter Schofield
" "	"Richmond News"	Des Rowe
" "	Mr. Percy Page	Roy Wright
Most Votes in Brownlow Medal	Mr. John Knowles	Ray Poulter

COMMITTEE ATTENDANCES

General Committee (21 Meetings): H. J. Dyke, 21; J. M. Fleming, 21; W. A. Quinn, 20; M. J. Bolger, 21; R. H. Dunn, 20; J. H. Jones, 21; P. J. Kennelly, 19; F. E. O'Brien, 15; J. M. Sheehan, 18; C. Callander, 21; J. Dyer, 21; L. J. Goring, 21; P. C. Langdon, 21; C. Priestley, 21; J. Titus, 20. Players' Representatives (12 Meetings): D. Fraser, 11; W. Morris, 10; W. Wilson, 11. R.C.C. Representative, L. Sinclair, 21. 2nd 18 Representative, J. Joyce, 18 (proxy Delegate, L. Ford, 3).

Mr. Frank O'Brien was granted three months' leave of absence during the year.

Finance and Executive Committee (10 Meetings): F. E. O'Brien, 8; M. J. Bolger, 10; R. H. Dunn, 9; H. J. Dyke, 10; J. M. Fleming, 10; P. J. Kennelly, 9; W. A. Quinn, 10.

Selection Committee (21 Meetings): P. J. Kennelly, 18; J. Dyer, 21; J. Titus, 21; D. Fraser, 18; W. Morris, 18; Proxy Delegate, C. Priestley, 4. Albert Pannam and 2nd 18 Selectors, Messrs. R. Brady and J. Phelan, also attended all meetings of Selection Committee.

RESULT OF MATCHES, SEASON 1951

Date	Richmond Versus	Result	Rich. Score G.	B.	Pts.	Oppon. Score G.	B.	Pts.
April 21	Footscray	Lost	15	9	99	15	10	100
„ 28	Sth. Melbourne	Won	14	13	97	5	7	37
May 5	Carlton	Won	16	12	108	12	12	84
„ 12	Hawthorn	Won	17	18	120	7	14	56
„ 19	Collingwood	Won	16	20	116	9	11	65
June 2	St. Kilda	Won	19	12	126	18	9	117
„ 11	Melbourne	Won	12	9	81	9	13	67
„ 16	Fitzroy	Lost	9	12	66	12	16	88
„ 23	Geelong	Lost	8	8	56	10	14	74
July 7	Essendon	Lost	10	10	70	10	14	74
„ 14	Nth. Melbourne	Lost	11	13	79	11	16	82
„ 21	Footscray	Lost	6	9	45	9	17	71
„ 28	Sth. Melbourne	Lost	8	8	56	13	17	95
Aug. 4	Carlton	Won	9	12	66	4	9	33
„ 11	Hawthorn	Won	10	13	73	6	15	51
„ 18	Collingwood	Lost	6	8	44	9	12	66
„ 25	St. Kilda	Won	18	17	125	10	12	72
Sept. 1	Melbourne	Won	18	16	124	14	11	95
			222	219	1551	183	229	1327

Summary: Matches Played, 18. Won 10, Lost 8.
Position on Premiership List: Sixth.

LIFE MEMBERS

The Club's Life Membership list is as follows:—

1905—McNair, A.
1915—James, J. H.
1916—Lohse, W. H.
1917—Maybury, P. H.
1919—Reeves, S. W.
1920—Hall, C. H.
1921—Aarons, A.
1922—Bettles, A. J.
1923—Hughes, F. V.
1924—Harley, F.
1926—Don, D.
Smith, J.
1927—Dyke, H.
Taylor, E.
1928—Hayes, D.
1929—Gosch, W. H.
1930—Higginbotham, W. J.
1931—Page, P.
1932—Baker, W.
Edmond, B. D.
1933—Cox, H.
1934—Bentley, P.
Geddes, A.
O'Halloran, T.
McCormack, B.
1935—O'Brien, F.
Titus, J.
1937—Murdoch, J.
1938—Hunter, M.
Sheahan, M. E.
1939—Bolger, M.
O'Neill, K.
1940—Dyer, J.
Martin, R.
1941—Callander, C.
Daws, A. H.
1942—Fleming, J. M.
Turner, C. E.
1943—Harris, R.
Symons, J.
1944—Langdon, P. C.
Smeaton, G.
1945—Jones, J. H.
1946—Davall, R.
Dunn, R. H.
1947—Kennelly, P. J.
Priestley, C.
1948—Joyce, J.
Quinn, W. A.
1949—Merrett, L.
Perkins, W.
1950—Goring, L. J.
Sheehan, J. M.
1951—Burge, F.
Morris, J. W.
Oppy, W. M.

LIST OF DONORS TO CLUB FUNDS, SEASON 1951

	£	s	d
Mr. Douglas Stewart	100	0	0
Mr. Jack Jones	25	0	0
Mr. Theo Lewis	25	0	0
Mr. Johnnie Smith	25	0	0
Mr. Jim Brown	20	0	0
Mr. Gordon Hoadley	20	0	0
Mr. Jim Macdermott	20	0	0
Mr. Mick Alessio	15	0	0
Mr. Alex Tait	15	0	0
Mr. R. L. Beatty	10	10	0
Mr. Donald Don	10	10	0
Douglas Tait Pharmarcy	10	10	0
Mr. R. E. Hodgkinson	10	10	0
Mr. Dick Kelly	10	10	0
Mr. Bert Maddern	10	10	0
"Richmond Chronicle"	10	10	0
Mr. Ben Alexander	10	0	0
Mr. Bill Dooley	10	0	0
Mr. Jack Gibson	10	0	0
Mr. George Graves	10	0	0
Mr. Bill Graves	10	0	0
Mr. Bud Graves	10	0	0
Mr. Ernie Grey	10	0	0
Mr. George Provan	7	10	6
Mr. Ted Newton	7	7	0
Bruce Rayson & Co.	6	0	0
Mr. Bob Anderson	5	5	0
Mr. William Archer	5	5	0
Bryant & May Pty. Ltd.	5	5	0
Carlton and United Breweries	5	5	0
Clark Matting and Rubber Co.	5	5	0
S. & H. Cusworth	5	5	0
Mr. Mick De George	5	5	0
Engineering Products Co.	5	5	0
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Kornie Food Co.	5	5	0
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Mr. Frank Pembroke	5	5	0
Mr. Bill Pitt	5	5	0
Mr. and Mrs. Max Reddy	5	5	0
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Tilbury & Lewis Pty. Ltd.	5	5	0
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Mr. and Mrs. Bill Walker	5	5	0
Mr. George Caldis	5	0	0
Miss Airdrie Cameron	5	0	0
Mr. John Costello	5	0	0
Cr. Denzil Don	5	0	0
Mr. M. J. Douglas	5	0	0
Mr. Terry Dwyer	5	0	0
Mr. Tom Edlington	5	0	0
Mr. Terry Fitzpatrick	5	0	0
Mr. Maurie Fleming	5	0	0
Mr. Ron Garraway	5	0	0
Mr. Jack Hunt	5	0	0
Mr. Ted Jackson	5	0	0
Mr. John Sherman	5	0	0
Mr. Jim Stroud	5	0	0
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Apex Motors	3	3	0
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Dimmey's Model Stores	3	3	0
Mr. Noel Foster	3	3	0
Mr. Ernie King	3	3	0
Mr. Ernest Kirton	3	3	0
Mr. Fred Laby	3	3	0
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Mr. Frank Power	2	10	0
Mr. Bob Ellis	2	5	0
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Mr. Abe Aarons	2	2	0
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M. Ball & Co.	2	2	0
Mr. Eddie Balmer	2	2	0
Mr. Lewis Bennett	2	2	0
Henry Beyer & Co.	2	2	0
Cr. Tom Bolger	2	2	0
Mr. Charles Boyles	2	2	0
Mr. Fred Burge, Snr.	2	2	0
Mr. Rex Carey	2	2	0
Mr. Fred Chatto	2	2	0
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Mr. Bill Duncan	2	2	0
Mr. W. H. Dowling	2	2	0
Mr. Ross Faulkner	2	2	0
Mr. William Fowler	2	2	0
Mr. Hec Haslem	2	2	0
Senator A. Hendrickson	2	2	0
Fred Hesse & Co.	2	2	0
Mr. Fred Hewett	2	2	0

Wm. Horsfall Pty. Ltd.	2	2	0
J. Hubball Pty. Ltd.	2	2	0
Mr. Phil Ireland	2	2	0
Mr. L. Jaques	2	2	0
Mr. T. Howard Jackett	2	2	0
Julius Kayser Pty. Ltd.	2	2	0
Kenworth Rubber Co.	2	2	0
Kiwi Polish Co.	2	2	0
Mr. Bill King	2	2	0
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Mr. N. J. Kirton	2	2	0
Lamson Paragon Co.	2	2	0
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Mr. Bob Long	2	2	0
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Mr. Clarrie Robertson	2	2	0
Rose's Service Station	2	2	0
Cr. M. P. Sheehy	2	2	0
Mr. Les Sinclair	2	2	0
Spread Eagle Hotel	2	2	0
Mr. Alan Steele	2	2	0
Mr. Stan C. Steele	2	2	0
Mr. Stan J. Steele	2	2	0
John Sutherland & Co.	2	2	0
Turner Mfg. Co.	2	2	0
Mr. Bill Watts	2	2	0
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Mr. W. Wieland	2	2	0
Mr. Ron Board	2	0	0
Mr. E. G. Hunt	2	0	0
Mr. Eric James	2	0	0
Mr. Chas. Manchester	2	0	0
Mr. Douglas McKenzie	2	0	0
Clements Langford & Co.	1	18	6
Mr. John Clemenger	1	11	6
F. D. Hagger Pty. Ltd.	1	11	6
Mr. John F. Fleming	1	10	0
Tas. Pickett & Co.	1	10	0
Mr. Harry Pitter	1	10	0
Relova Redressing Service	1	10	0
Mr. John Taylor	1	10	0
Victoria Fibrous Plaster Co.	1	10	0
Albion Metalware Co.	1	5	0
Mr. Fred Bewsell	1	5	0
Mayne Nickless Ltd.	1	5	0
Mr. Jack McIntyre	1	5	0
Mr. Ted McGuinness	1	2	0
Herbert Adams & Co.	1	1	0
W. Anderson & Sons	1	1	0
Ansell Rubber Co.	1	1	0
Mr. Bob Barry	1	1	0
Sir Frank Beaurepaire	1	1	0
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Mrs. Charles Boyles	1	1	0
Mr. E. Bunn	1	1	0
Mr. Jim Burke	1	1	0
Burnley Flour Mills	1	1	0
Late Hon. J. B. Chifley, M.P.	1	1	0
Mr. James Clarke	1	1	0
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G. J. Coles & Co.	1	1	0
Compressed Cork Sheets Co.	1	1	0
Thomas Corns & Co.	1	1	0
Cremorne Collar Co.	1	1	0
T. Curphey Pty. Ltd.	1	1	0
Hon. Tom D'Alton, M.P.	1	1	0
Mr. Douglas Elliot	1	1	0
Mr. Norman Eyre	1	1	0
Mr. Arthur Fayle	1	1	0
Mr. R. Fennessy	1	1	0
J. W. George & Son	1	1	0
Harris Knight Co.	1	1	0
H. J. Heinz & Co.	1	1	0
Mr. George Hicks	1	1	0
J. Kennon & Sons	1	1	0
Mr. S. M. Keon, M.P.	1	1	0
Mr. Percy Langdon	1	1	0
London Stores Pty. Ltd.	1	1	0
Mr. Bill Lord	1	1	0
Mackay Silentruba Co.	1	1	0
E. B. May & Co.	1	1	0
Rt. Hon. R. G. Menzies, M.P.	1	1	0
Mr. Bill McCarthy	1	1	0
Mr. E. McCauley	1	1	0
Mr. J. S. McNaughton	1	1	0
G. H. Newport & Co.	1	1	0
Oliver J. Nilsen & Co.	1	1	0

Nuttlex Food Products Co.	1	1	0
Picton Hopkins & Sons	1	1	0
Peter's Ice Cream Co.	1	1	0
Mr. Reg Philpott	1	1	0
Mr. Frank Pittard	1	1	0
Mr. Arthur Pointon	1	1	0
Preservene Pty. Ltd.	1	1	0
Mr. Dave Prince	1	1	0
Mr. Jack Quinn	1	1	0
Mr. L. R. Quinn	1	1	0
Richmond Dry Cleaners	1	1	0
Rosella Preserving Co.	1	1	0
Senator C. Sandford	1	1	0
Mr. Frank Scully, M.L.A.	1	1	0
Mr. W. Smith	1	1	0
A. E. Smith & Sons	1	1	0
Stapleton Industries	1	1	0
Star Small Goods Co.	1	1	0
Mr. G. Stewart	1	1	0
Sutex Ltd.	1	1	0
The J. R. Watkins Co.	1	1	0
United Transport Co.	1	1	0
H. R. Varley Co.	1	1	0
H. H. Webb & Co.	1	1	0
Mr. Eric Welch	1	1	0
R. Werner & Co.	1	1	0
Mr. Percy Amos	1	0	0
Anonymous	1	0	0
Cork Industries Co.	1	0	0
Cr. Ray Donovan	1	0	0
Mr. Johnnie Knowles	1	0	0
Mr. J. Parsons	1	0	0
G. & L. Phillips	1	0	0
Mr. Jim Rust	1	0	0
Smith Mitchell & Co.	1	0	0
Miss Ailsa Thompson	1	0	0
Total	£925	3	0

FIVE, TEN, FIFTEEN-YEAR PLAYERS

Fifteen Years:

1923—H. James. 1924—V. Thorp (16 years). 1939—P. Bentley (16 years). 1940—J. Titus (18 years). 1945—J. Dyer (19 years).

Ten Years:

1919—B. V. Herbert, P. Maybury, S. Reeves. 1921—C. H. Hall. 1923—F. V. Hughes. 1924—F. Harley. 1926—J. Smith, D. Don. 1934—A. Geddes, B. McCormack, T. O'Halloran. 1936—J. Murdoch. 1939—K. O'Neill, M. Bolger. 1940—R. Martin. 1943—R. Harris, J. Symons. 1944—G. Smeaton. 1947—C. Priestley. 1949—L. Merrett, W. Perkins. 1951—F. Burge, J. W. Morris, W. M. Oppy.

Five Years:

1913—E. Ohlsen, W. Mahoney, R. Bowden, G. Gibson. 1914—F. McCashney, F. Love. 1916—D. J. Moffatt. 1918—A. J. Bettles, R. T. Hede. 1919—H. Alessio, L. Burke, A. Danks, E. Keggin, W. Thomas. 1920—G. Bayliss. 1921—M. Hislop, R. Weatherill. 1923—G. Weatherill. 1924—F. Huggard, J. Karthaus, N. McIntosh, D. Minogue, E. Taylor. 1925—M. Morris. 1926—D. Hayes. 1927—A. McIsaac, G. Rudolph. 1929—D. Lynch. 1930—R. Empey, D. Harris, H. Weidner, K. Millar. 1931—J. Baggott, C. Watson. 1932—W. Benton, B. Foster, S. Judkins. 1933—M. Hunter, M. Sheahan. 1934—E. Zschech. 1935—G. and D. Strang. 1938—D. Guinane, R. Chergwin. 1939—J. Cotter. 1940—I. Hull, N. Dickson. 1941—J. Crane, M. O'Connell. 1942—B. Edwards. 1943—L. Ablett, R. Bawden, J. Scott. 1944—B. Waldron. 1945—L. Maguire, B. Randall, L. Smith. 1946—A. McDonald, W. Russell, R. Steele, J. Sullivan. 1947—F. Bourke, R. Durham, A. Mooney. 1948—F. Cook, L. Jones, W. Wilson. 1949—D. Fraser, R. Wiggins. 1950—K. Albiston, R. Poulter, D. Rowe, R. Stokes, R. Wright. 1951—M. Currie, K. Roberts.

RESULT OF MATCHES PLAYED BY RICHMOND SINCE JOINING THE VICTORIAN FOOTBALL LEAGUE IN 1908

Against	Won	Lost	Tied	Played
Carlton	37	56	—	93
Collingwood	38	52	1	91
Essendon	39	41	2	82
Fitzroy	44	41	—	85
Footscray	31	14	1	46
Geelong	48	30	2	80
Hawthorn	40	7	—	47
Melbourne	46	30	1	77
North Melbourne	33	10	—	43
South Melbourne	40	39	1	80
St. Kilda	52	19	—	71
	448	339	8	795

GOALS KICKED BY PRESENT-DAY PLAYERS

Player	Season 1951	Total with Club	Player	Season 1951	Total with Club
O'Rourke, J.	58	77	Albiston, K.	2	76
Poulter, R.	33	187	Nix, J.	2	10
Schofield, P.	21	21	Austen, C.	1	1
Morris, W.	17	98	Currie, M.	1	17
Wilson, W.	16	173	Gleeson, R.	1	1
Cooke, A.	14	21	Fraser, D.	—	125
Horwood, R.	13	26	Burge, F.	—	105
Rowe, H.	11	23	Oppy, M.	—	29
Stokes, R.	10	23	Rowe, D.	—	21
Allen, T.	6	7	Ednie, R.	—	10
Spring, G.	5	24	Pannam, A.	—	6
Turner, B.	4	4	Wiggins, R.	—	2
Wright, R.	4	27	Dillon, K.	—	1
Boland, B.	3	6	Flintoff, L.	—	1
			Total	222	1122

CLUB OFFICIALS AND ACHIEVEMENTS SINCE ADMISSION TO LEAGUE

Year	President	Secretary	Treasurer	Captain	Highest Goal Kicker	For Gls. Bhds.		Against Gls. Bhds.		Position
1908	G. H. Bennett, M.L.A.	A. Manzie	A. McNair	C. Pannam	W. Bourke (24)	123	172	178	207	Ninth
				R. Condon						
1909	F. G. Tudor, M.H.R.	"	"	J. Lawson	W. Bourke (20)	112	153	179	209	Eighth
1910	"	"	"	W. Schmidt	M. Maguire (20)	127	175	121	186	Seventh
1911	"	"	"	L. Incigneri	M. Maguire (29)	122	189	138	193	Eighth
1912	"	G. P. Beachcroft	J. Macdermott	E. Ohlsen	E. Keggin (24)	115	173	184	229	Ninth
1913	"	W. H. Lohse	J. H. Archer	H. James	P. Martyn (32)	143	176	150	190	Seventh
1914	"	"	"	W. Thomas	C. Hall (32)	143	226	143	219	Eighth
1915	"	"	"	"	C. Hall (25)	126	150	158	216	Sixth
1916	"	"	"	"	P. Martyn (22)	120	139	131	170	Fourth
1917	"	W. A. Maybury	"	P. H. Maybury	C. Febring (14)	104	138	127	192	Sixth
1918	"	"	"	C. Hall	D. Don (19)	96	176	117	155	Sixth
1919	A. Wood	"	"	W. Thomas	D. Don (31)	172	251	148	210	Runners-up
1920	"	"	A. Aarons	D. T. Minogue	G. Bayliss (63)	202	223	143	154	Premiers
1921	"	"	"	"	G. Bayliss (53)	188	222	149	226	Premiers
1922	"	"	"	"	G. Bayliss (32)	146	163	154	204	Fifth
1923	"	"	"	"	D. Fraser (18)	121	180	156	202	Eighth
1924	J. H. Archer	Perc. Page	J. D. Langdon	"	M. Morris (44)	172	259	169	222	Runners-up
1925	"	"	"	"	M. Morris (25)	132	189	158	183	Seventh
1926	"	"	"	M. Morris	D. Lynch (31)	186	261	214	211	Seventh
1927	"	"	"	A. Geddes	J. Baggott (37)	218	270	164	219	Runners-up
1928	"	"	"	"	J. Baggott (61)	253	303	195	218	Runners-up
1929	"	"	"	C. Lilburne	J. Titus (54)	277	311	235	220	Runners-up
1930	"	"	"	A. Geddes	J. Titus (50)	214	257	175	207	Fourth
1931	"	"	"	M. Hunter	D. Strang (68)	247	292	174	243	Premiers
1932	B. V. "Herbert	J. J. "Smith	"	P. Bentley	D. Strang (49)	242	290	174	244	Runners-up
1933	"	"	"	"	D. Strang (51)	231	249	206	241	Premiers
1934	"	"	"	"	J. Titus (80)	266	294	206	235	Third
1935	"	"	"	"	J. Titus (83)	253	245	215	247	Fifth
1936	H. L. "Roberts	"	G. B. "Smith	"	J. Titus (83)	239	239	225	200	Fourth
1937	"	"	C. E. Turner	"	J. Titus (65)	244	252	225	207	Fourth
1938	"	"	"	"	J. Titus (72)	253	229	219	249	Sixth
1939	B. V. "Herbert	M. E. "Sheahan	"	"	J. Titus (48)	245	316	220	221	Fourth
1940	H. J. Dyke	J. M. Fleming	"	"	J. Titus (100)	285	252	238	269	Runners-up
1941	"	"	"	J. Dyer	J. Titus (87)	255	265	227	242	Fourth
1942	"	"	"	"	J. Titus (67)	278	267	213	232	Runners-up
1943	"	"	"	"	R. Harris (63)	234	274	198	214	Premiers
1944	"	"	"	"	R. Harris (63)	305	265	236	256	Runners-up
1945	"	"	"	"	F. Burge (55)	254	278	249	248	Seventh
1946	"	"	"	"	A. Mooney (49)	275	271	234	255	Fifth
1947	"	"	J. J. Smith	"	J. Dyer (46)	254	276	238	257	Fourth
1948	"	"	"	"	J. Dyer (64)	275	245	206	261	Fifth
1949	"	"	& W. A. Quinn	W. Morris	E. Poulter (51)	246	257	207	241	Sixth
1950	"	"	W. A. Quinn	"	R. Poulter (56)	214	222	208	228	Sixth
1951	"	"	"	"	J. O'Rourke (58)	222	219	183	229	Sixth
					Totals	8984	10273	8189	9661	